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ENERGY CONSERVATION BUILDING CODE
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the States which are implementing the Energy Conservation Building Code in the country at present;

(b) whether any problem is being faced by these States in the implementation of this code; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) : The Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) has been launched by the Government of India for new commercial buildings having a connected load of more than 500 KW or energy consumption of 600 KVA and is on voluntary basis.

(b) & (c) : For facilitating implementation of ECBC and to overcome any problem, the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) has prepared a list of ECBC expert architects for providing services to both Central and State Government organizations. A panel of 12 architects has been notified. Under Section 14(p) of the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 the Central Government has the power to prescribe ECBC for efficient use of energy and its conservation in the building or building complex. The State Governments have the flexibility to modify ECBC to suit local or regional needs under the Act. To disseminate information on ECBC 25 awareness programmes in 13 States have been conducted with the aid of the State Designated Agencies (SDAs) to sensitize the relevant departments of the State Governments. This was attended by 1500 professionals.